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ALABAMA FIRE DEPARTMENTS RECEIVE NEARLY \$1.3 MILLION IN FUNDING THROUGH FEMA'S ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

ATLANTA – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) today awarded \$1,257,669 in Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funding to local fire departments and emergency medical services organizations in the state of Alabama.

"FEMA is dedicated to saving lives by helping to fund well-trained and well-equipped fire departments," said FEMA Regional Administrator Phil May.

Nationally, this week's grants total \$18 million. The AFG program includes three kinds of awards: Fire Grants, Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grants and Fire Prevention and Safety grants (FP&S). Today's grants to Alabama organizations are:

Fire Grants (funding firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical services organizations, and supporting regional projects involving multiple organizations serving more than one local jurisdiction)

Georgetown Fellowship VFD	Operations and Safety	Chunchula	\$111,886
Spanish Fort Fire & Rescue	Operations and Safety	Spanish Fort	\$71,250
Lanett Fire & EMS	Vehicle Acquisition	Lanett	\$475,000
Lincoln Fire & Rescue	Operations and Safety	Lincoln	\$5,147
Pine Grove VFD	Operations and Safety	Lineville	\$10,925
Spring Garden VFD	Operations and Safety	Piedmont	\$39,900
Good Hope Fire Rescue & HAZMAT	Operations and Safety	Cullman	\$116,440
Fayette FD	Operations and Safety	Fayette	\$99,066
Adamsburg VFD	Operations and Safety	Fort Payne	\$38,855
West Point VFD	Operations and Safety	Vinemont	\$19,231
Madison Fire & Rescue	Operations and Safety	Madison	\$38,250
Segers Community VFD	Operations and Safety	Madison	\$57,194
Orrville VFD	Operations and Safety	Orrville	\$33,003
City of Selma- Selma Fire & Rescue Dept.	Operations and Safety	Selma	\$141,552

The fiscal year (FY) 2008 AFG awards, which are being distributed in phases, will ultimately provide about \$500 million to fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations throughout the country.

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The full list of this week's recipients and other information, including program Fact Sheets, can be found on the AFG website (www.firegrantsupport.com).

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